



## **U.S. Representative Melanie Stansbury (N.M.-01) Consolidated Community Project Funding Guidance**

To consult Subcommittee-specific guidance on the House Appropriations Committee’s website, click [here](#).

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## **Programmatic and Language Requests: The Difference Between These Requests and Community Project Funding**

During the FY24 Appropriations cycle, like all budgetary cycles, Rep. Stansbury and Members of Congress have the opportunity to advocate for a variety of budget requests.

A **Program Request** asks the House Appropriations Committee for a specific funding level for a program or activity. A **Language Request** asks federal agencies to take a specific action in a specific area or study the effect of a potential policy change.

- **Program Request Example:** Provide \$70,000,000 in the Transportation Security Administration's Procurement, Construction, and Improvements account for the Checkpoint Property Screening System.
- **Language Request Example:** "The Committee directs the Department to fully account for Blue Campaign funding in future budget submissions and encourages transitioning the program to direct appropriations."

**To submit a Program or Language Request, please fill out the form here by March 14, 2023 at 11:59 p.m. MST.**

A **Community Project Funding (CPF) Request**, is a request for a specific governmental or other eligible entity to carry out a specific community project. Projects similar to these special projects (CPFs) have been called "earmarks" in the past, though the request and vetting process for these projects have changed significantly. CPFs require that Members requesting the funding have no personal or familial benefit from the funding, that the funding reflects the mission of the federal agency in question, and that the funding benefits communities within the Member's district.

- **Community Project Funding (CPF) Request Example:** Provide \$500,000 for a specific entity in City, State to perform a specific function.

This year, Members of Congress are limited to 15 project submissions. Because of the limited number of submissions and the high level of scrutiny by the House Appropriations Committee for eligibility requirements, this is a highly competitive process. **The Committee prioritizes projects that are considered "shovel ready" for funding.**

**To submit your project for consideration, please fill out the form here by March 14, 2023 at 11:59 p.m. MST.**

## **FY24 Eligibility Requirements: Significant Changes Between FY24 and FY23 Appropriations Guidance by the House Republican Majority**

The House Republican Majority has issued guidance for the FY2024 Community Project Funding process that has cut overall available funding in half, narrowed the types of applicants who are eligible to apply, and restricted available funding accounts. The full guidance from the Committee is below, with changes noted *in italics*. **The House Republican majority has issued the following guidance and modifications for FY24:**

**Cap on Overall Funding:** The total amount for Community Project Funding in House appropriations bills will not exceed one half of one percent of discretionary spending. *The total amount for Community Project Funding in FY23 was one percent of discretionary spending, which cuts this year's funding availability in half.*

**Federal Nexus Requirement:** In order to ensure a federal nexus exists for each funded project, the Committee will only fund projects that are tied to a federal authorization law. Members must include a written statement describing the federal nexus for each Community Project Funding request. Subcommittee guidance will include example language Members can use to make the required statement. *This is a new requirement for FY24.*

**No Memorials, Museums, or Commemoratives:** Memorials, museums, and commemoratives (i.e., projects named for an individual or entity) are not eligible for Community Project Funding. *This narrows the number of eligible entities that can apply for funding, a change instituted by the House Republican majority.*

**Stewardship Requirements:** Funded projects will follow applicable requirements in the authorized programs that support good stewardship of taxpayer dollars. For example, programs may require a non-federal cost-share and participation in program audits.

**Careful Vetting of Projects:** Subcommittee chairs are expected to establish additional project criteria to ensure only high-quality projects are requested and funded. They are encouraged to reject any project that does not merit federal taxpayer funding. Funding decisions will depend on the availability of funds, demand for projects, and merit of individual projects.

**Ban on For-Profit Recipients:** Project funding may not be directed to for-profit recipients. Members may request funding for State, local, or tribal governmental grantees and certain eligible non-profits, as allowed under federal law and subcommittee guidance.

**Request in Writing:** Any Member requesting project funding must do so in writing by the deadlines established in subcommittees' guidance. Requests must include the Member's name, name and location of the intended recipient, purpose of the requested funding, statement of federal nexus, and certification of no financial interest.

**No Financial Interest:** Members must publicly certify that they and their immediate family have no financial interest in the projects they request. “Immediate family” for this purpose includes a father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, husband, wife, father-in-law, or mother-in-law.

**Demonstrations of Project Merit and Support:** Members must provide evidence of the project’s merit and community support.

**All Requests Online:** Members are required to post every project funding request online, in a searchable format, with their final submission to the Committee. The final submission date occurs after a 2-week technical assistance period, and the date will be clearly noticed in each Subcommittee’s guidance. In addition, the Committee will establish an online “one-stop” site with links to all House Members’ project requests.

**Audits and Oversight:** The Government Accountability Office (GAO) will conduct an independent audit of a sample of enacted projects and report its findings to Congress.

**Early Public Disclosure:** House rules require disclosure of Community Project Funding before the bill is on the floor, but the House Appropriations Committee will publish online a list of projects earlier – on the same day as the bill’s initial markup.

**Committee Reports:** When reporting bills containing Community Project Funding, the Committee will identify each item, including the name of each requesting Member, in the corresponding committee report or joint explanatory statement and make it available online in a searchable format.

**Subcommittee Accounts:** *The House Republican majority has barred CPF applications for the following Subcommittees:*

- *Defense*
- *Financial Services*
- *Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies*

*Rep. Stansbury can request increases in program funding for the above accounts. To request that Rep. Stansbury do so, click [here](#).*

## **Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies**

To find further detail on the requirements for each account, please click on the hyperlinks included in the account heading. Your project must meet the account requirements in order to have the best chance of funding. The Subcommittee has opened 6 total accounts for CPF requests.

### 1. [USDA Community Facilities Grants](#)

**About:** This program provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. An essential community facility is defined as a facility that provides an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community in a primarily rural area, and does not include private, commercial or business undertakings.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Grants to purchase, construct, or improve essential community facilities, to purchase equipment, and pay other related project expenses.

- Examples of eligible projects include but are not limited to: medical or dental clinics, healthcare facilities, police or fire departments, public works vehicles, food banks. Priority will be given to essential projects, such as those focused on public health and safety.

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Community Facilities grants cannot be used to pay initial operating expenses or annual recurring expenses, refinance existing debt, pay interest, build or repair facilities in non-rural areas, or pay for construction costs of facilities that will be used for commercial rental space.

**Who Can Apply:** Public bodies, community-based non-profit corporations, and federally recognized Tribes.

**Eligible Projects:** Any project must serve a rural area, defined as cities, villages, townships and Tribal lands with no more than 20,000 residents).

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** Projects will need to meet cost-share requirements according to population size, outlined in [7 CFR 3570.63\(b\)](#).

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; the most complete description of the project as possible; details on all proposed use of funds, activities that will occur, timeline, and detailed information on the complete service territory.

**Previous Award Amounts:** For fiscal year 2023, the average Community Facilities CPF award was about \$1.3 million. *Please note that FY24 total funding for all community projects were reduced according to House Republican majority guidance and that accepted projects may be funded at significantly lower levels than requested and disbursed in previous years.*

**Point of Contact for Further Information:** USDA RD's New Mexico State Office.

- Phone: 505-761-4950
- Email: [CPAssist@usda.gov](mailto:CPAssist@usda.gov).

2. [USDA ReConnect Program](#)

**About:** ReConnect broadband pilot grants facilitate broadband deployment in rural areas.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Grant funds can be used for the costs of construction, improvement, or acquisition of facilities and equipment needed to provide broadband service to rural areas without sufficient broadband access, defined as 25 Mbps downstream and 3 Mbps upstream.

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Stand-alone middle-mile projects are not eligible under the ReConnect Program. However, middle-mile facilities are eligible if they are needed to bring sufficient broadband service to all premises in the area.

**Who Can Apply:** Telecommunication utilities or cooperatives serving rural areas and state, local, or Tribal governments.

**Eligible Projects:** The area must be rural and lack sufficient access to broadband service. A rural area is any area which is not located within a city, town, or incorporated area that has a population of greater than 20,000 inhabitants. Sufficient access to broadband is defined as greater than 90% of any rural area in which households have fixed, terrestrial broadband service delivering at least 25 Mbps downstream and 3 Mbps upstream. Mobile and satellite services will not be considered in making the determination of sufficient access to broadband.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** All environmental and related reviews required in the ReConnect grant program apply ([outlined here](#)), in addition to the 25% non-federal cost-share of the total project cost. Entities applying should demonstrate that they have secured the 25% non-federal cost-share or outline a feasible plan to do so.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; the number of households, businesses, or farms will be served in the area, what the performance of the service to be offered will be, and whether healthcare or educational facilities will be served.

**Previous Award Amounts:** For fiscal year 2023, the average ReConnect CPF award was nearly \$1.2 million. *Please note that FY24 total funding for all community projects were reduced according to House Republican majority guidance, and that accepted projects may be funded at significantly lower levels than requested and disbursed in previous years.*

**Point of Contact for Further Information:** Click [here](#) to find the USDA-RD Telecom GFR representative for New Mexico.

3. [USDA Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grants](#)

**About:** The DLT program helps rural communities acquire the technology and training necessary to connect educational and medical professionals with students, teachers, and patients in rural areas.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Grants may be used for audio and video equipment, broadband facilities that support distance learning or telemedicine, computer hardware or network components/software, and acquisition of instructional programming.

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Broadband installation.

**Who Can Apply:** State and local governmental organizations, Federally-recognized Tribes, and nonprofit organizations serving rural communities.

**Eligible Projects:** Entities serving rural areas with populations of 20,000 or less.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** All environmental and related reviews required in the DLT grant program apply ([outlined here](#)), in addition to the 15% non-federal cost-share of the total project cost. Entities applying should demonstrate that they have secured the 15% non-federal cost-share or outline a feasible plan to do so.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible on how the award will be utilized, what equipment of service will be acquired and any information on population(s) served.

**Previous Award Amounts:** DLT grants available via the routine federal grant process range from \$50,000 to \$1 million. *Please note that FY24 total funding for all community projects were reduced according to House Republican majority guidance and that accepted projects may be funded at significantly lower levels than requested and disbursed in previous years.*

**Point of Contact for Further Information:** Click [here](#) to find the USDA-RD Telecom GFR representative for New Mexico.

4. [Water and Waste Disposal Grants](#)

**About:** This program provides funding for clean and reliable drinking water systems, sanitary sewage disposal, sanitary solid waste disposal, and storm water drainage to households and businesses in eligible rural areas.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** The Water and Waste Disposal Grant Program may be used to finance the acquisition, construction or improvement of drinking water sourcing, treatment, storage and disposal; sewer collection, transmission, treatment and disposal; solid waste collection, disposal and closure; and storm water collection, transmission, and closure.



**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Facilities that are not available for public use.

**Who Can Apply:** Most state and local governmental entities, nonprofits, federally-recognized Tribes, and Colonias.

**Eligible Projects:** Must serve rural areas and towns with a population of 10,000 or less and/or Tribal lands in rural areas.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** All environmental and related reviews required in the Water and Waste Disposal Grant program apply ([outlined here](#)), in addition to the 25% non-federal cost-share of the total project cost. Entities applying should demonstrate that they have secured the 25% non-federal cost-share or outline a feasible plan to do so.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible on the exact work to be completed, and any information on population(s) served.

**Previous Award Amounts:** This is the first time that the Water and Waste Disposal Grants account is available as a CPF. *Please note that FY24 total funding for all community projects were reduced according to House Republican majority guidance and that accepted projects may be funded at significantly lower levels than requested and disbursed in previous years.*

**Point of Contact for Further Information:** Call the New Mexico USDA-RD office at 505-761-4950.

5. USDA Agricultural Research Service (ARS), Buildings and Facilities

**About:** The Agricultural Research Service (ARS) owns and operates laboratories and facilities across the United States. Many of these laboratories/facilities are decades old, have outlived their functional lifespan, and are badly in need of major repairs, renovation, or replacement.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Acquisition of land, construction, repair, improvement, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities as necessary to carry out the agricultural research programs of the Department of Agriculture.

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Non-ARS facilities.

**Who Can Apply:** ARS divisions.

**Eligible Projects:** ARS laboratories and facilities in need of repairs, renovation, or replacement.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** Dependent on further guidance.



**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible on the research to be conducted, why the research is a high priority, as well as details on the modernization and why it is critical in carrying out the research.

6. USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, Conservation Operations

**About:** The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) supports private landowners, conservation districts, and other organizations to conserve, maintain, and improve the Nation's natural resources.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Examples of specific objectives include reducing soil erosion, improving soil health, enhancing water supplies, improving water quality, increasing wildlife habitat, and reducing damage caused by floods and other natural disasters.

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Projects administered by a nonprofit organization.

**Who Can Apply:** State, local, and Tribal organizations, or public conservation districts.

**Eligible Projects:** Projects must demonstrate how they will improve health of the environment.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** Cost-share requirements vary based on the program in question.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible details on the work to be done, including if the project will conduct surveys, investigations, or research, and if there is a plan to publish the results of any such work. Entities should also describe any preventive measures to be taken, such as engineering operations, methods of cultivation, or changes in use of land.

**Previous Award Amounts:** For fiscal year 2023, the average Conservation Operations CPF award was about \$1.3 million. *Please note that FY24 total funding for all community projects were reduced according to House Republican majority guidance, and that accepted projects may be funded at significantly lower levels than requested and disbursed in previous years.*

**Point of Contact for Further Information:** The USDA State Conservationist for New Mexico can be found [here](#).

## Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies

The Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies has opened a total of [five eligible accounts](#) for funding.

### 1. NIST Scientific and Technical Research

**About:** NIST Scientific and Technical Research projects support standards-related research and technology development.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Activities consistent with, and supportive of, NIST's mission to promote U.S. innovation and industrial competitiveness by advancing measurement science, standards, and technology in ways that enhance economic security and improve our quality of life. The funds must be aligned with one or more of the functions and activities described in [section 272 of title 15, United States Code](#).

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Funding for building construction or renovation projects.

**Who Can Apply:** Nonprofit organizations, research institutions.

**Eligible Projects:** Any STEM-related research and technology projects or mentorship programs. Examples of previous funding for projects can be found [here](#).

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** Dependent on program specifics.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible on the research to be conducted, why the research is a high priority, and the scalability of the project.

**Previous Award Amounts:** For fiscal year 2023, the average NIST Scientific and Technical Research CPF award was about \$2.5 million. *Please note that FY24 total funding for all community projects were reduced according to House Republican majority guidance, and that accepted projects may be funded at significantly lower levels than requested and disbursed in previous years.*

### 2. NOAA Coastal Zone Management

**About:** Coastal Zone Management projects support the protection, restoration, and responsible development of our nation's diverse coastal communities and resources.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Activities consistent with, and supportive of, NOAA's mission and aligned with one or more of the purposes described in the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 ([16 U.S.C. § 1451 et seq](#)).

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Projects that do not benefit coastal zone natural systems.

**Who Can Apply:** Nonprofit organizations, local governments. *NOTE: New Mexico is excluded as a Coastal Management Zone.*

**Eligible Projects:**

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** Any applicable cost-share required by law under the Coastal Zone Management Program

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible on the project to be conducted; any context on the scalability of the project.

**Previous Award Amounts:** This is the first time that the Coastal Zone Management Program account is available as a CPF. *Please note that FY24 total funding for all community projects were reduced according to House Republican majority guidance, and that accepted projects may be funded at significantly lower levels than requested and disbursed in previous years.*

3. [DOJ Office of Justice Programs: Byrne Justice](#)

**About:** Byrne Justice projects assist state, local, and Tribal law enforcement efforts to enforce laws, address violent crime, increase prosecutions, improve the criminal justice system (including the correctional system), provide victims' services, and other related activities.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Funds can be used to provide additional personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, training, technical assistance, and information systems for criminal justice, or civil proceedings. Funds can also be used for reentry programs and services, Community Violence Intervention, identification, collection, or processing of forensic evidence, and purchasing detection equipment for fentanyl and methamphetamine.

*Additional priorities enumerated by the House Republican Subcommittee Chair:*  
“The Chair will prioritize projects focused on improving the effectiveness of law enforcement, increasing officer safety, curbing the opioid crisis, and other strategic priorities.”

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Any security enhancements or any equipment to any nongovernmental entity that is not engaged in criminal justice or public safety. Funds also cannot be vehicles (excluding police cruisers), vessels (excluding police boats), or aircraft (excluding police helicopters); luxury items; real estate; construction projects (other than penal or correctional institutions); or any similar matters.

*Additional exclusions from the House Republican Subcommittee Chair:*  
“Initiatives that involve the distribution of drug paraphernalia; Initiatives that undermine the 2nd Amendment or infringe upon rights guaranteed by the Constitution without due

process of law; Initiatives that appear to be anti-law enforcement or unrelated to criminal justice; Larger projects for the construction or renovation of penal or correctional institutions that will exceed the capability of single-year funding.”

**Who Can Apply:** State, local, and Tribal governments.

**Eligible Projects:** Community Violence Intervention project funding, planning, evaluation, and technology improvement, mental health programs and crisis intervention teams. The Subcommittee has in the past deprioritized building construction or renovation.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** For more information on grant requirements, visit the DOJ Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant page [here](#).

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible on the project to be conducted; any context on the scalability of the project.

**Previous Award Amounts:**

4. [DOJ Community Oriented Policing Services \(COPS\) Technology & Equipment](#)

**About:** COPS Technology and Equipment projects support state, local, and Tribal law enforcement efforts to develop and procure the technology and equipment needed to respond more quickly and effectively, improve officer safety, increase transparency and enhance community relations.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Projects to assist State, Tribal, and local law enforcement agencies to develop and/or acquire technologies and equipment, including interoperable communications technologies, modernized criminal record technology, and forensic technology. The funds can also be used to help law enforcement agencies reorient their activities from reacting to crime to preventing crime and training law enforcement officers to use new crime prevention technologies.

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Building construction or renovation projects.

**Who Can Apply:** State, local, and Tribal law enforcement agencies.

**Eligible Projects:** Anti-narcotics programs, school violence prevention programs, community policing development programs, law enforcement mental health and wellness programs, preparing for active shooter situations, coordinated Tribal assistance.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** Recipients of COPS Hiring Grants and School Violence Prevention Program grants are required to contribute a local match of at least 25% toward the total cost of the approved grant project, unless waived in writing by the COPS Office. More information on program requirements can be found [here](#).

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible on the project to be conducted; any context on the scalability of the project.

5. National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Safety, Security, and Mission Services

**About:** These projects support science education, research, and technology development related to NASA's mission.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Projects focusing on science, education, research, and technology development that advances NASA's mission.

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Building construction or renovation projects and medical research projects.

**Who Can Apply:** Colleges and universities, K-12 education agencies, research institutions, and STEM education and workforce training.

**Eligible Projects:** Research projects and youth mentorship programs.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** Dependent on federal program specifications.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible on the project to be conducted; any context on the scalability of the project.

## **Defense**

*Note: The House Republican majority has barred Community Project Funding applications for the Subcommittee on Defense. To make a programmatic or language request, please visit Rep. Stansbury's website [here](#).*

## **Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies**

The Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies is accepting applications for five accounts for FY24. Please note that the Subcommittee has asked Members of Congress to submit projects that are individually authorized under prior Reclamation or Corps of Engineers Continuing Authorities program. If the projects do not meet that criteria, the Member must obtain further information from the Subcommittee prior to the request. To view the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' latest guidance, click [here](#).

1. Army Corps of Engineers (Civil Works) Investigations,

**About:** The Investigations (I) account is used to fund studies for water resource projects authorized by general or specific Congressional legislation. This account is also used to fund preconstruction engineering and design (PED) work leading up to development of the plans and specifications for the first significant construction contract. This account is also used to fund other work not directly chargeable to authorized projects and is collectively known as the Remaining Items (RI) Program.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Projects authorized under USACE Continuing Authorities program.

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Projects not authorized under the Corps of Engineers Continuing Authorities program unless cleared beforehand with the Subcommittee.

**Who Can Apply:** Recipients of USACE projects.

**Eligible Projects:** Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Investigations funding recipients.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** All requirements subject to USACE Continuing Authorities Program.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; the statutory citation for the requested project; the project title; and the funding capability (i.e. if funding can be disbursed within FY24).

2. Army Corps of Engineers (Civil Works) Construction

**About:** Fund the implementation, including detailed plans and specifications for new and continuing construction, reconstruction, major rehabilitation, dam safety assurance, dredge material disposal facilities, deficiency correction of projects specifically authorized by Congress, and specifically authorized post-construction modifications.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Projects authorized under USACE Continuing Authorities program.



**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Projects not authorized under the Corps of Engineers Continuing Authorities program unless cleared beforehand with the Subcommittee.

**Who Can Apply:** Recipients of USACE projects.

**Eligible Projects:** Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Investigations funding recipients.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** All requirements subject to USACE Continuing Authorities Program.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; the statutory citation for the requested project; the project title; and the funding capability (i.e. if funding can be disbursed within FY24).

3. Army Corps of Engineers (Civil Works) Mississippi River and Tributaries  
**About:** The Mississippi River and Tributaries (MR&T) account funds projects or programs on the Mississippi River main stem and its tributaries.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Projects authorized under USACE Continuing Authorities program. Funding in the MR&T account combines with the Investigations, Construction, and Operations and Management accounts.

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Projects not authorized under the Corps of Engineers Continuing Authorities program unless cleared beforehand with the Subcommittee.

**Who Can Apply:** Recipients of USACE projects.

**Eligible Projects:** Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Investigations funding recipients.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** All requirements subject to USACE Continuing Authorities Program, including cost sharing.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; the statutory citation for the requested project; the project title; and the funding capability (i.e., if funding can be disbursed within FY24).

4. Army Corps of Engineers (Civil Works) Operations and Maintenance  
**About:** The Operations and Management account funds operation, maintenance, and related activities at the water resources projects that the Corps operates and maintains.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** In addition to operation, maintenance, and related activities at the water resources projects that the Corps operates and maintains, the

account also includes some activities at non-federally owned/operated projects (levee safety activities).

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Projects not authorized under the Corps of Engineers Continuing Authorities program unless cleared beforehand with the Subcommittee.

**Who Can Apply:** Recipients of USACE projects.

**Eligible Projects:** Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Investigations funding recipients.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** All requirements subject to USACE Continuing Authorities Program.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; the statutory citation for the requested project; the project title; and the funding capability (i.e. if funding can be disbursed within FY24).

5. Bureau of Reclamation Water and Related Resources Grants

**About:** This account funds previously authorized Bureau of Reclamation projects that advance Reclamation's mission to manage, develop, and protect water and related resources in an environmentally and economically sound manner in the interest of the American public.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Previously authorized programs, including but not limited to: WaterSMART grants, water conservation, water operations, and dam operations, maintenance, and management.

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Projects not previously authorized; projects authorized under sections 4007, 4009(a), and 4009(c) of the Water Infrastructure Improvements Act for the Nation (WIIN) Act of 2016 (Public Law 114–322).

**Who Can Apply:** Recipients of Reclamation projects.

**Eligible Projects:** Authorized Reclamation projects.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** All requirements are subject to the authorized Reclamation program cost-share and any environmental or procurement requirements within the program.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; the statutory citation for the requested project; the project title; and the funding capability (i.e. if funding can be disbursed within FY24).

## **Financial Services and General Government**

*Note: The House Republican majority has barred Community Project Funding applications for the Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government. To make a programmatic or language request, please visit Rep. Stansbury's website [here](#).*

## **Homeland Security**

The Subcommittee on Homeland Security is accepting applications for two Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) accounts for FY24.

### 1. [FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grants](#)

**About:** This grant program assists state, local, Tribal, and territorial governments to plan and implement cost-effective measures to reduce community and property risk of future natural hazards, such as floods and wildfires, while reducing reliance on federal funding for future disasters.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** The project must address a problem that has been repetitive or poses a significant risk to public health and safety if left unresolved, be cost-effective, contribute to a long-term solution to the problem, and accounts for long-term changes to the areas and entities it protects with future maintenance and modification requirements.

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Non-compliant PDM programs.

**Who Can Apply:** State, local, or Tribal governments. *Note: Due to FEMA regulations, cities, townships, or chapters of Tribal governments must ask their State or Tribal government to apply to FEMA to administer the grant on their behalf as a “sub-recipient.”*

**Eligible Projects:** Wildfire prevention and resilience projects, erosion mitigation, levee protection and improvement projects, storm shelter projects, and more. View previously awarded FY23 projects [here](#).

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** All environmental and related reviews required in the PDM program apply, in addition to the 25% non-federal cost-share of the total project cost—or 10% cost-share if the community is a “small economically disadvantaged community” as outlined in the [Stafford Act](#). Entities applying should demonstrate that they have secured the 25% non-federal cost-share or outline a feasible plan to do so.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible on the project to be completed, why the project is necessary, and a Benefit-Cost Analysis of the project.

**Previous Award Amounts:** For FY23, CPF awards ranged between \$320,482 and \$10,000,000. *Please note that FY24 total funding for all community projects were reduced according to House Republican majority guidance, and that accepted projects may be funded at significantly lower levels than previously requested and disbursed.*

**Point of Contact for Further Information:** Please find New Mexico’s State Hazard Mitigation Officer [here](#).

2. [FEMA Emergency Operations Center Grants](#)

**About:** This funding is intended to improve emergency management and preparedness capabilities by supporting flexible, sustainable, secure, strategically located, and fully interoperable Emergency Operations Centers. Fully capable emergency operations facilities at the state and local levels are an essential element of a comprehensive national emergency management system.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Funds can be used to stand up or update a facility or that centralizes leadership and operations control so that government can continue to function and provide services in the event of an emergency.

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Personnel costs; replacement radios for police, fire, and other response personnel; generators for emergency shelters; any equipment that is portable and does not directly support the functional and operational capabilities of an EOC. Funds additionally cannot be used to procure telecommunications or video surveillance equipment detailed [here](#).

**Who Can Apply:** State, local, or Tribal governments. *Note: Due to FEMA regulations, cities, townships, or chapters of Tribal governments must ask their State or Tribal government to apply to FEMA to administer the grant on their behalf as a “sub-recipient.”*

**Eligible Projects:** Emergency Operation Centers.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** FEMA’s Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation review process and the Build America, Buy America Act. In addition, entities applying must fulfill a 25% non-federal cost-share of the total project cost—or 10% cost-share if the community is a “small economically disadvantaged community” as outlined in the [Stafford Act](#). Entities applying should demonstrate that they have secured the 25% non-federal cost-share or outline a feasible plan to do so.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible on the project to be completed, why the project is necessary, and how the project is cost-effective.

**Previous Award Amounts:** For FY23, CPF awards ranged between \$41,000 and \$3,000,000. *Please note that FY24 total funding for all community projects were reduced according to House Republican majority guidance, and that accepted projects may be funded at significantly lower levels than requested and disbursed in previous years.*

## **Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies**

The Subcommittee on Homeland Security is accepting applications for one Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) account for FY24.

### 1. EPA State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG)

**About:** These projects include construction of and modifications to municipal sewage treatment plants and drinking water treatment plants (otherwise known as Clean Water or Drinking Water State Revolving Funds).

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Projects that are eligible for funding from New Mexico's Clean Water or Drinking Water State Revolving Funds (SRF) loan programs; programs run by a publicly owned or owned by a nonprofit entity.

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Grants to for-profit entities or privately-owned projects; land; operations and maintenance costs; non-municipal point source control; acid rain drainage correction; ambient water quality monitoring; flood control projects; privately owned sewer pipes; dams or dam rehabilitation; water rights; reservoirs ; laboratory fees for monitoring; projects with fire protection as a primary purpose.

**Who Can Apply:** State, local, or Tribal governments, nonprofits on a limited basis.

**Eligible Projects:** Upgrading or expanding wastewater treatment plants, including sludge handling facilities; small sewers; interceptor sewers; sewer pipes; storm water management; projects to address serious risks to public health via non-regulated contaminants (e.g. PFAS); rehabilitate or develop water sources to replace contaminated sources; install or replace transmission and distribution pipes. Further examples are available [here](#).

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** There is a minimum 20% cost share requirement for any portion of a project funded through a STAG infrastructure grant and the Committee will not waive matching requirements. Entities applying should demonstrate that they have secured the 20% non-federal cost-share or outline a feasible plan to do so.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible on the project to be completed, whether or not States have included the project in their Intended Use Plans (IUPs); why the project is necessary; and how the project is cost-effective.

**Previous Award Amounts:** For FY23, CPF awards ranged between \$45,000 and \$5,000,000. *Please note that FY24 total funding for all community projects were reduced according to House Republican majority guidance, and that accepted projects may be funded at significantly lower levels than requested and disbursed in previous years.*

## **Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies**

*Note: The House Republican majority has barred Community Project Funding applications for the Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies. To make a programmatic or language request, please visit Rep. Stansbury's website [here](#).*



## **Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies**

The Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies is accepting applications for nine Military Construction Accounts for FY24 (Army; Army National Guard; Army Reserve; Navy and Marine Corps; Navy Reserve; Air Force and Space Force; Air National Guard; Air Force Reserve; DoD, Defense-Wide). Projects must be eligible to be included under the Unfunded Requirements/Unfunded Priorities Lists (UFR/UPL) and the Future Year Defense Program (FYDP) list available [here](#).

### **1. Construction and Unspecified Minor Construction—Active Components**

**About:** Funds from this account may be used for both construction and unspecified minor military construction projects for active components (an approved project costing no more than \$9,000,000).

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Projects specified by the UFR/UPL and FYDP.

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Projects suggested by an installation or unit commander.

**Who Can Apply:** Entities that are part of the Army; Navy and Marine Corps; Air Force and Space Force; Defense-Wide Agencies (Special Operations Command (SOCOM), Defense Logistics Agency (DLA)), etc. accounts.

**Eligible Projects:** Projects include construction, installation, equipment of temporary or permanent public works, military installations, and facilities for the above accounts.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** Projects must be included on an unfunded requirements/unfunded priorities list (UFR/UPL) from a military service or combatant command or the FY24-FY28 Future Years Defense Program (FYDP); Have at least 35 percent of its design completed; have been submitted to the House Armed Services Committee for inclusion in the FY24 National Defense Authorization Act or previously authorized; have a DD Form 1391.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible on the project to be completed; and why the project is necessary.

### **2. Construction and Unspecified Minor Construction – Reserve Components**

**About:** Funds from this account may be used for both construction and unspecified minor military construction projects for reserve components (an approved project costing no more than \$9,000,000).

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Projects specified by the UFR/UPL and FYDP.

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Projects suggested by an installation or unit commander.

**Who Can Apply:** Entities that are part of the Army National Guard; Air National Guard; Army Reserve; Navy Reserve; and Air Force Reserve accounts.

**Eligible Projects:** Projects include construction, installation, equipment of temporary or permanent public works, military installations, and facilities for the above accounts.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** Some Reserve Component projects require a State funding match, which the Subcommittee will not waive. Projects must be included on an unfunded requirements/unfunded priorities list (UFR/UPL) from a military service or combatant command or the FY24-FY28 Future Years Defense Program (FYDP); Have at least 35 percent of its design completed; have been submitted to the House Armed Services Committee for inclusion in the FY24 National Defense Authorization Act or previously authorized; have a DD Form 1391.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible on the project to be completed; and why the project is necessary.

## **Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies**

The Subcommittee on Transportation and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies is accepting applications for six accounts for FY24—one under the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and five under the Department of Transportation (DOT).

### 1. [HUD CDBG – Economic Development Incentives](#)

**About:** This funding is intended for economic and community development activities, consistent with statutory and additional Committee requirements.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Funds for site acquisition, demolition, or rehabilitation; blight removal; and construction and capital improvements of public facilities, except for “buildings used for the general conduct of government” (e.g., city halls and courthouses).

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Programmatic and operational expenses; Museums, commemoratives, and memorials; swimming pools, water parks, and golf courses; health care facilities; venues strictly for entertainment purposes (e.g., theaters and performing arts venues).

**Who Can Apply:** State, local, or Tribal governmental entities or non-profit organizations.

**Eligible Projects:** Examples include water or sewer infrastructure projects not otherwise eligible under EPA STAG or Rural Water and Waste funding; local road infrastructure, which is not otherwise eligible as a CPF in Highways; streetscape improvements; public or non-profit housing rehabilitation, housing development financing, residential conversions, and neighborhood revitalization projects, which would increase housing supply and/or improve housing affordability in the local community; projects with a clear economic development benefit, such as workforce training centers and manufacturing incubators; projects that meet a compelling local need consistent with the statutory purposes. For example, food banks in economically disadvantaged neighborhoods, youth and senior centers, and multipurpose community centers..

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** EDI projects, like all projects funded by HUD, are subject to requirements under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), HUD’s NEPA-implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 50 or 24 CFR Part 58, and all applicable federal environmental and historic preservation laws, regulations, and Executive Orders.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible on the project to be completed, why the project is a priority, and information on if any involved community partners have been consulted about the project.

2. [DOT Airport Improvement Program](#)

**About:** AIP Community Project Funding requests are intended to enhance airport safety, capacity, and security, and help address environmental concerns.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Planning and development of public-use airports that are included in the National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS).

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Operational costs; maintenance; aircraft hangers; industrial park development; marketing plans; artworks; landscaping; office and office equipment; training.

**Who Can Apply:** Public-use airports or airports that meet [statutory designations](#) and FAA guidance. The airport must be included in the FAA's National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS).

**Eligible Projects:** Runway construction/rehabilitation; airfield lighting, signage, and drainage; land acquisition; environmental studies; safety area improvements; and more. To view the full list of eligible projects, click [here](#).

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** For large and medium primary hub airports, the grant requires a 25% non-federal cost-share, or a 20% non-federal cost-share for noise program implementation. For small primary, reliever, and general aviation airports, the grant requires 5-10% non-federal cost-share. Projects will be subject to various Federal requirements such as competition in contracting and Buy America and environmental reviews.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible on the project to be completed, a detailed budget for the project; why the project is a priority, and secured funds or an established plan to meet the non-federal cost-share requirements.

3. DOT Highway Infrastructure Projects

**About:** These funds are designed for capital projects and maintenance that preserve and improve the condition and performance of any Federal-aid highway, bridge or tunnel project on any public road.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Capital projects administered by public entities, eligible under title 23 of the U.S. code, as amended by title III of division A of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. Tribal and territorial capital projects authorized under chapters 1 and 2 of title 23, United States Code, are also eligible.

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Activities that are administrative in nature even if they are eligible expenses under the statutory citation. These include general operating expenses, and planning activities required under sections 134 and 135 of title 23, United States Code.

**Who Can Apply:** State, local, or Tribal governments. *Note: Due to DOT regulations, cities, townships, or chapters of Tribal governments must ask their State or Tribal government to apply to DOT to administer the grant on their behalf as a “sub-recipient.”*

**Eligible Projects:** Resurfacing a road, bridge, or tunnel; widening a road; pedestrian safety improvements.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** Highway Infrastructure Projects have a non-federal cost share that varies by project activity, location, and other factors and is calculated on a sliding scale that you can learn more about [here](#). Most projects will be subject to various Federal requirements such as competition in contracting, Buy America, and the National Environmental Policy Act.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible on the project to be completed, a detailed budget for the project; why the project is a priority, and secured funds or an established plan to meet the non-federal cost-share requirements.

4. DOT Transit Infrastructure Projects

**About:** This funding is dedicated for public transportation capital projects.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Capital projects or project-specific planning/design for a transit capital project administered by a public entity that is supported by the state, local governmental authority, or Tribal government that would administer the project.

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Activities that are administrative in nature even if they are eligible expenses under the statutory citation. Funds also cannot be used to benefit intercity passenger rail transportation, intercity bus service, charter bus service, school bus service, sightseeing service, courtesy shuttle service for patrons of one or more specific establishments, or intra-terminal or intra-facility shuttle services.

**Who Can Apply:** State, local, or Tribal governments. *Note: Due to DOT regulations, cities, townships, or chapters of Tribal governments must ask their State or Tribal government to apply to DOT to administer the grant on their behalf as a “sub-recipient.”*

**Eligible Projects:** Regular, continuing shared-ride surface transportation that is open to the general public or open to a segment of the general public defined by age, disability, or low income. Examples include procuring a new fleet of public transit vehicles or constructing an electric vehicle charging network.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** Transit Infrastructure Projects have a non-federal cost share that varies by program, project activity, location, and other factors. Most projects will be subject to various Federal requirements such as competition in contracting, Buy America, and the National Environmental Policy Act.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible on the project to be completed; a detailed budget for the project; why the project is a priority; and secured funds or an established plan to meet the non-federal cost-share requirements.

5. DOT Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements

**About:** The Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) account is dedicated to financing the cost of improving passenger and freight rail transportation systems.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Rail capital projects or systems planning for a rail capital project administered by a public entity that is supported by the state, local governmental authority, or Tribal government that would administer the project.

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Projects by for-profit entities. Activities that are administrative in nature even if they are eligible expenses under the statutory citation. This includes general operating expenses, rail-related research, and workforce activities.

**Who Can Apply:** State, local, or Tribal governments. *Note: Due to DOT regulations, cities, townships, or chapters of Tribal governments must ask their State or Tribal government to apply to DOT to administer the grant on their behalf as a “sub-recipient.”*

**Eligible Projects:** Bridge or track replacement or maintenance; capital improvements to a rail route.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** Rail capital projects under the CRISI program require a minimum 20 percent non-federal share. Most projects will be subject to various Federal requirements such as competition in contracting, Buy America, and the National Environmental Policy Act. Entities applying should demonstrate that they have secured the 20% non-federal cost-share or outline a feasible plan to do so.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible on the project to be completed; a detailed budget for the project; why the project is a priority; and secured funds or an established plan to meet the non-federal cost-share requirements.

6. [DOT Port Infrastructure Development Program](#)

**About:** This program funds projects that improve the safety, efficiency, or reliability of the movement of goods into, out of, around, or within a port.

**What Funds Can Be Used For:** Projects administered by a public entity that improve safety, efficiency, and reliability of a port.

*Note: House Appropriations Committee FY24 guidance prioritizes projects at small inland river and coastal ports and terminals, as described in 46 U.S.C. 54301(b), and to discrete, smaller-scale projects at larger ports and intermodal connections to ports due to limited available funding.*

**What Funds Cannot Be Used For:** Projects by for-profit entities. Activities that are administrative in nature even if they are eligible expenses under the statutory citation. This includes general operating expenses, rail-related research, and workforce activities.

**Who Can Apply:** State, local, or Tribal governments. *Note: Due to DOT regulations, cities, townships, or chapters of Tribal governments must ask their State or Tribal government to apply to DOT to administer the grant on their behalf as a “sub-recipient.”*

**Eligible Projects:** Examples of eligible projects include port expansion, emission reduction, and other capital improvements.

**Cost-Share and Other Requirements:** Projects likely require a non-federal share. Most projects will be subject to various Federal requirements such as competition in contracting, Buy America, and the National Environmental Policy Act. Entities applying should demonstrate that they have secured the needed non-federal cost-share or outline a feasible plan to do so.

**What Is Needed in an Application:** Demonstrated community support from state, local, or Tribal elected officials, community leaders, or nonprofits; as much detail as possible on the project to be completed; a detailed budget for the project; why the project is a priority; and secured funds or an established plan to meet the non-federal cost-share requirements.